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- On 28 August Eugenio Comez, Secretary-General of the Communist Forty of Uruguay (PCU), ordered the sectional leaders of the Fontevideo Department to attend a secret meeting at the Communist headquarters to orient Party members as to the grincipal FCU propaganda objectives during the 1950 national elections. Unusual importance was attached to the weeting since each member aname was closely checked by two trusted Party lenders at the door of the conference room and only those who had been officially contacted by the National Committee were permitted to enter.
- Gomez stated that the FCU would be the only political party in Uruguay which would, for the most part, avoid local issues and concentrate it; attacks on the United States and the defeat of any Uruguayan aid which might be sent to the UN forces in Korea. According to Gomez, these principal prepagenda issues would be combined with the Communist "Fro-Peace" movement. In view of the well-known Uruguayan apathy towards being involved in foreign affeirs. Gomes asserted that if the Party leaders vigorously push this "specially tailored election propaganda campaign" to the fullest extent, he was certain of success.
- 3. Apart from the political aspects of the question of Uruguayan aid to Korea, Gomez stated that the FCU was making a special appeal to its leaders to prevent any material aid from going to UN troops in Korea. He stated that the actions of the Communists in other countries should serve as an example to Uruguayan leaders, and pointed out an incident in England where a ship destined for Korea had been sabotaged and cases in other European countries where Communist efforts had delayed the sailing of ships with UN supplies to Korea.
- 4. Gomez further advised that he had definite information to the effect that the Uruguayan government planned to utilize the government ship "ACC"A, which had been taken from the Germans during World War II. to send 2,000 cuguayan troops to Korea in the immediate future.

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